

Newsletter

CHAIRMAN'S CHAT!

Well Easter is here already and hopefully we can see some good weather over the next few months.

The Rally Books were distributed at the end of January and thanks to Liz and Jennie for all their hard work – I think by the time it was received they had lost the will to live with the changes that had to be made – all of them beyond their control.

There are a couple of amendments in the rally book and these are highlighted later in the newsletter.

Gill also had problems with the rally list received from the Caravan Club for distribution of the rally book. Many members who had registered with the centre did not appear on the circulation list. This is beyond the Centre's control and I know we are still having problems with this as are all the other centres.

Thanks to the marshals for a lovely rally at Valentines. Tom and I were very grateful to all your good wishes for our respective 60th and 50th birthdays – your guess as to who was what age!!! Thanks for the lovely gifts and for making the weekend so special.

The National Rally at Sledmere House is fast approaching and all paperwork has been distributed so if you haven't yet booked on you may struggle to be on the Nottinghamshire lines. It looks from the plan that we are lucky with the location of our centre lines again this year. Ian and Justin are hopeful that we can compete for a few of the events so if you are interested then please contact them.

This year's Inter Centre Rally is at Brooksby College and is to be hosted by the Leicestershire Centre – I am sure Ian and would Justin would like us to retain one if not both the trophies this year!!!!

Can I please remind you about the Chairman's Rally which is to be held August Bank Holiday at Clumber Park. The rally will of course not be as big as last year but we are hoping to have lots of activities over the weekend with a live act already booked for the Saturday evening.

Best wishes.

Jackie and Andy



Notts Centre Press Officer – Tina Caldicott

If you would like anything featured then please contact me as follows: **email:** pressofficer@nottscentre.com or hand any hard copies to me at any Rally I attend. PS: Don't forget to send in your Rally Reports

All Newsletters are posted on the Website in downloadable PDF format

Rally Reports

11th to 13th February – Dunham on Trent - Valentines Weekend

Thanks to the marshals at Valentines for a lovely rally.

We all got into the spirit of things with a Valentines themed quiz from Ian and Saturday we had a lovely hot meal followed by entertainment from Tom and Darren aka the duo "Switch".

Thanks to Ian, Andrea, Darren and Emma, not forgetting Dan, Amy, Holly and Libby.

18th to 20th March – Marton Village Hall

A get together was held on Friday night with music provided by 'DJ Rooksy', games of 'Sticky fingers' were played. It was lovely weather on Saturday, then the Marshals provided a meal on Saturday night of pie, mushy peas, and potatoes, always a favourite! , followed by fruit flan and loads of cream!!

After the quiz, a raffle was held, then again music was provided by DJ Rooksy, who then led the 'Singalonga Phil' session.

Thanks to the marshals Phil, Sharon, Andy and Joyce for a very enjoyable and musical weekend.

Helen Williamson

25th to 27th March 2011 – North Muskham Village Hall

Northern Soul Weekend

Friday night we settled in and had a lovely pie and pea supper served by the marshals. Kevin, marshalling his first rally, did a very difficult quiz which had many of us puzzled I am sure. We all had a very enjoyable evening.

Saturday we were treated to a Northern Soul Evening and the DJ did a fantastic job. We were served with a lovely buffet supper and one or two drinks were consumed by us all! Our first time ralliers - 3 couples in all - joined in the weekend, made some new friends and I am sure we shall see them all again shortly.

Thanks to the Marshals, Paula & Ivor and Kevin & Jess.

Sandra and Mark

1st to 3rd April 2011 – Harby -Mothers Day weekend

We arrived on the Friday night and for me it was nice to rally at somewhere different, although it wasn't a new venue we don't rally there often.

Friday night started in the Sports Pavillion with a intro quiz organised by Savanna with very nice lolly pops as prizes, followed by a pub quiz run by Sandra and then sticky fingers. A fun packed evening was enjoyed by all.

Saturday was very kind weather wise and many ralliers were able to sit outside and enjoy the sun. The evening took place in the Village Hall a short walk away and greeted by Sandra we received gifts that the children had made earlier in the day (which I had to eat before my dinner – couldn't resist!) and a red rose for the ladies. The evening started with an excellent 3 course meal served to us by the Marshalls at our tables followed by a Mr and Mrs quiz and a disco.

A thoroughly enjoyable weekend was had by all

Jane Tomkinson

Upcoming Rallies

Ashover – 28th April to 2nd May – *This rally is full.*

Lots of activities planned for our Royal Rally.

The rally opens at 1.00 p.m. on Thursday 28th April.

Thursday evening will be the Hen and Stag parties.

Friday come and join in with the celebrations for the Royal Wedding, dress in your best wedding gear and join in with live coverage of the wedding.

The afternoon will see the return of a royal street party (this involves members bringing a selection of food for all to enjoy). Later we will be having a fancy dress competition for the younger generation.

Late afternoon we will celebrate with our very own DJ Dingle.

Saturday Free and easy day, enjoy the vast selection of pubs in Ashover, from 5pm come and celebrate with the marshals for more fun and games, hot dogs to be served later.

Sunday 13 mile walk, free and easy afternoon followed by fun and games in the evening.

Rally Fee is £17.80 for 3 nights or £22.60 for 4 nights.

Newark Showground – 6th to 8th May 2011.

How do you fancy caravan manoeuvring lessons??

At the Rally at Newark Showground to be held 6th to 8th May caravan manoeuvring lessons will be available.

You would need to use your own car and it is intended the tests will be on tarmac. The charge is £2.00 per person - £1.50 of this goes towards insurance that has to be paid to the Caravan Club and 50p will go towards trophies for the Winner and Runner Up.

There will be separate tests for novices.

For more information please contact rally marshal Steve Preston or Sandra Purdy.

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13th to 15th May – Shardlow Marina

A fun weekend is promised by our sports team for the whole family.

Social with meal Saturday evening.

Why not join us at this beautiful venue!! - To book please contact Ian or Justin.



April 2011

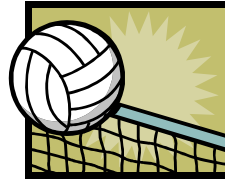
17th to 19th June – Inter Centre Rally – Brooksby College

The Inter Centre is to be hosted by the Leicestershire Centre this year.

Why not come along and support the centre.

Ian and Justin are looking for team members for football, netball, volleyball, tug o War and also for the children's running.

If you are interested in taking part then please contact Ian or Justin.



This is a prepaid rally – To book please send slip and cheque to Franz Hohmann – the rally fee is £21.00 the cheque should be made payable to “The Caravan Club, Leicestershire Centre”.

French Holiday Rally – 19th to 29th August 2011



The Holiday rally is now full but if you would like to go then enquiries can be made to the site owner for the number of pitches to be increased.

If you are interested then please contact Sandra Purdy.

**New Year Rally 2011 - Newark Showground
28th December to 1st January 2012**

We have a few places available for this years New Year Rally.

If you are wanting to know more about the event this is available on the website.

If you would like a booking form then please contact treasurer@nottscentre.com

**Saturday 26th February
Trip to Nottingham Panthers**

Thanks to Paul Hickling for organizing the trip to the Nottingham Panthers.

In a case of Déjà vu they were again playing Coventry Blaze and like last year came out as eventual winners.

For anyone who hasn't been to the see the Ice Hockey you are missing a real treat as there is such a fabulous atmosphere.



Sunday 13th March 2011 - Rollerworld, Derby

Around 130 Notts member and their friends descended upon Rollerworld at Derby for two hours of fun.



Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves and there was a large variance in the skill category!!! Justin on Roller Skates made you think of Bambi on Ice and was hilarious, especially when he actually let go of the side!
Darren did his usual trick of trying to look all professional with his twirls and what he thought was impressive moves - but no one was taken in - it was just funny.

Thanks to Ian and Justin for organizing the event which proved very popular.

Alterations to Rally Book

Page	Rally No	Date	Venue	Alteration
25	19	8th to 10th July	Summer Ball	Venue now to be DUNHAM ON TRENT (Long Clawson are no longer taking bookings for rallies). Directions to the venue are on page 41 (Early Bird Rally - No. 45).
26	22	29th to 31st July	Thorpe on the Hill	Rally fee is £9.75 NOT £16.55
30	29	2nd to 4th September	Kelham Hall	This rally will now take place on the weekend 9th to 11th September and not the date in the rally book. Please note that Sharon Rookes mobile number begins 07971 and NOT 01971
32	30	9th to 11th September now 2 to 4 September	Donnington Park - cancelled - now being held at Shardlow Marina on 2-4 September	This rally has unfortunately had to be cancelled due to the MOTO GP taking place at Donnington that weekend. There will now be a rally at Shardlow Marina
41	44	20th to 22nd January 2012	Gangsters and Molls	This rally will now be held at ROBIN HOOD SCOUT CAMP at Blidworth and NOT Long Clawson - directions to the venue are on Page 35 of the Rally Book (Photographic and Rally Launch Rally).

Centre News

Use of Fire Extinguishers on Rallies

Information received from the Health and Safety officer at East Grinstead states that there is no specific requirement for the centre to supply extinguishers on normal rallies. However, they should still be supplied as per the risk assessment for large events or where the marquees are to be used.

In future the rally equipment will not contain a fire extinguisher. It is ralliers obligation to carry their own extinguisher.

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**Membership Renewals**

***Please remember when your Caravan Club Membership is renewed - you MUST send the reply slip back to retain your membership with the Notts Centre otherwise you will not be eligible to receive the new rally book.***

***You are now able to renew your centre membership on line  
Full details are on the caravan club website***

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**All rallies run by the Centre are due to start at 12 noon - if you would like to arrive earlier than this can you please ring the marshal as a matter of courtesy to make sure it is okay with them.**

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**If you would like to see details of rallies run by other Centres, Gill Hitch, Secretary has a copy of all their rally books.**

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***Our thoughts are with centre member Dave Wakelin and his family – Nikki, Thomas and Ellie – Dave is serving in Afghanistan and will be there until October.***

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Congratulations to Tom and Dallas who became Grandparents again in February when they welcomed their first Granddaughter into the world – Abigail weighed 7lb 9ozs.

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Congratulations to Malc and Sue Bridges who are due to become grandparents again for third time.

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**Best wishes from the Centre to Jill and Roy Taylor, Jean Cripps, Dallas Mead and Mik Russell who have all recently had operations. Our best wishes also go to Roy Cripps who has been ill.**

## Big Quiz 4 – Collingham Cricket Club - 15<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> April 2011

It was a return to Collingham for the Big Quiz part 4 – a little later than usual – we were very lucky with the weather and it was nice to see the blossom out – even though it played havoc with our hayfever.

Friday night it was great to have a get together which was not quiet!!!

On Saturday night 22 team (including 2 children's teams) took part in the quiz. We had reduced the number purposely as it was so full the previous year.

We also had a raffle and a game of stand up bingo and well done to Janice Woods and Jane Young who shared £35.00 and Kona Wallhead who walked away with £15.00 children's prize. We also had a lucky van drawn.

Well done to winners "Ken Dodd's Dad's Dog's Dead" – Darren, Emma, Paul and Lisa  
Runners Up – "Two Thumbs Fresh" – Mick, Sam, lee and Lorraine

The victorious younger team were "State of Play" - Jordan, Josh, Adam, Georgina, Holly and Libby – who managed to get the only 10 out of 10 of the evening, playing their joker at the same time!!

Thanks to everyone who took part and made what we hope was a successful evening. Our thanks also must go to Roy and Jill Taylor who very kindly donated a trophy to be given to the winners each year.

We look forward to the quiz next year – and Ian has promised to make the questions a little easier as we know that you like to get full marks to you can be evil and deduct marks from other people!!!! We are also going to make the quiz 8 rounds next year so that it doesn't go on so long.

**Jackie, Andy, Andrea and Ian**

### Birthdays



#### April

10 - Katrina Guest  
10 - Nikki Wakelin  
13 - Jayne Young  
14 - Ellie Wakelin  
20 - Wendy Hammett  
21 - Jane Tomkinson  
21 - Ivor Winter  
22 - Paul Hickling  
25 - Amy Pilgrim  
29 - Christian Pass

#### May

4 - Malc Bridges  
12 - Lucy Wright  
12 - Georgina Yeomans  
14 - Jeck Pickering  
14 - Sharon Rookes  
15 - Ian Pilgrim  
17 - Cath Coope  
22 - Sue Revill  
28 - Andy Coupland

### Wedding Anniversaries



#### April

11 Colin and Edna Chapman  
20 Paula and Ivor Winter

#### May

10 Darren and Emma Pilgrim  
19 Phil and Kay Lloyd

*If you would like a birthday, anniversary or other special occasion to be mentioned within the newsletter please contact myself or a committee member who will be happy to pass the details along.*

